

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.

In Re Application Of: **Travis L. ALLAN et al.**

Serial No.  
09/924,115

Filing Date

Examiner  
**Philip C. Tucker**

Group Art Unit  
1712

## **FRACTURING METHOD USING AQUEOUS OR ACID BASED FLUIDS**



**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 09/23/2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

from: **12/23/2003**      Date \_\_\_\_\_ until: **03/23/2004**      Date \_\_\_\_\_

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- is enclosed.
- has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10 -	22 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	4 =	0	x \$43.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					0
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$475.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$475.00</b>

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Docket No.  
**A-7519**

The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of **\$475.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

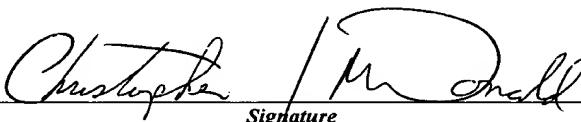
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2455

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-2455



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Dated: **March 18, 2004**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:



Travis L. ALLAN et al

Group Art Unit: 1712

Serial No: 09/924,115

Examiner: Philip C. Tucker

Filed : August 8, 2001

For : FRACTURING METHOD USING AQUEOUS  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION  
DATED SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding final official action,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows: